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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

As you are probably aware, this is a form letter set up by the people at Tracfone. However, I am adding my own text to let you know that their concern is valid. I do not use my tracfone very often. I have it only to be used in emergency situations, or when direct communication is immediately imperative. I spend very little time on my tracfone, and spend little money on it. As a consumer, this plan benefits my lifestyle because it allows me to spend less money per year on cell phone service, even though the per minute rates are higher. The convenience of buying my minutes up front and having them include all applicable fees is definitely helpful. By increasing these fees, the FCC will make the Tracfone plan, and plans like it less economical for consumers like me. I do not want to lock myself into expensive contracts like other companies' plans require. However, I want the security in knowing I have the phone for safety, especially with the increasing threat of terror! ism. I bought my tracfone shortly after 9/11, and felt good about having it with me during the DC sniper scare. Please reconsider your new fee. Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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